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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2006, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 11 have been examined and have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

I. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 2 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of U.S. Patent No. 2,428,908 Cooper et al. ("Cooper").

A. Claim 1

Claim 1 recites a plate connected between the left and right side plates to partially form an upper surface of the reel body. The plate is respectively positioned between the auxiliary